

# Honolulu Star-Bulletin

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By persisting in a habit of self-denial, we all, beyond what I can express, increase the inner powers of the mind, and shall produce that perfectness and greatness of spirit as will fit us for all good purposes; and shall not have lost measure, but changed it; the soul being then led with its own intrinsic pleasure.—Henry More.

## HIGHWAY PROBLEMS

Hawaii's road problems, accentuated during the past two years by the somewhat unwieldy system of loan-fund commissions for each island, doubtfully will be taken up by the next legislature. Great strides in highway work are being made the country over, and this territory certainly should not be behindhand.

A bulletin from the department of agriculture of the splendid aid lent the various states through the federal office of public roads.

Many of the model highway laws in various states have been prepared under the advice of the experts of the department of agriculture. All the data and statistics of the office of public roads are at the disposal of the legislature.

In the last bulletin of the office of public roads it was stated that at the close of 1909, 8.66 per cent of the roads in the United States were improved. This represents a gain in the total mileage improved for the five-year period, 1909, of 152 per cent, or, in other words, the percentage of improved roads has increased during this period from 7.14 to 8.66 per cent.

In the three years that have elapsed since then it is roughly estimated that the percentage of improved roads has gone well beyond 9 per cent, possibly close to 10 per cent. It is estimated that if 20 per cent of the public highways were improved—each highway being selected and improved with a view to the proportionate traffic on it—a high degree of efficiency in highway transportation would be reached. If it is figured in terms of dollars would be saved annually in transportation of crops, the wear and tear on horses and vehicles, and in the minimizing of waste in truck-farming. Where roads are improved, the farmers frequently find it impossible to get their products to the shipping points, and perishable products are wasted, perceptibly increasing the cost of living.

In the five years preceding March, 1912, the office of public roads of the department of agriculture has built 215 object-lesson roads; in all, about 300 miles of road fifteen feet wide, and by part advice aided in the formulation of more than 650 model county road systems, resulting in most instances in beneficial reforms. It has also assisted twenty-six states in effecting equitable state-aid plans. The secretary looks forward to the coming year as promising better results than at any time in the history of the movement for improved highways.

## FOR THE CITY

Mr. F. W. Dohrmann, the noted San Francisco merchant, gave some very good ideas to the businessmen who gathered at the Commercial luncheon yesterday to hear his talk. He suggested a good slogan, "The Honor of Our City Is Ours." He urged unity in civic undertakings, aggressive action to advertise Hawaii's charms to the world and reap the benefits of tourist traffic, a cooperation among commercial interests to make and keep the city clean and beautiful and progressive.

His declaration of faith in that apt phrase, "The Honor of Our City Is Ours," is a declaration against the citizen who allows his city to fall into ways of dishonor. It is also a declaration against the citizen who allows his city to be slandered, to be wrongfully accused, to be injured by evil word or false report. The duty of every resident of Honolulu toward his city is twofold: first, to bend his best efforts toward public improvement, political or otherwise; secondly, to guard against slander and malicious or vicious lies that hurt the city's fair name.

"A good name is rather to be chosen than great riches" both in civic and private life. The city's good name depends not only on what is said outside its gates, but the thousand tongues that report inside its gates.

## ROOSEVELT FOR THE WHIPPING POST

Public sentiment here is well divided on the subject of the whipping-post, with plenty of people who oppose it absolutely, and there is little

likelihood that the next legislature will even seriously consider establishing this form of punishment. However, it is interesting to note that Theodore Roosevelt has come out plainly in favor of flogging for certain criminals, including wife-beaters and "white slavers."

Col. Roosevelt contributes an editorial to the latest Outlook commending most vigorously the work of Arthur Lee, of the British parliament, who succeeds in getting the whipping-post bill passed. Characterizing this as "an achievement for humanity," Col. Roosevelt says that Mr. Lee "has rendered a striking service to the cause of humanity and decency throughout the civilized world." He continues:

One of the best features of the bill, in my judgment, is that providing for the flogging of male offenders. The Outlook has very properly protested against the whipping-post as an ordinary instrument of justice. But there are certain kinds of cruel and brutal offenses which are committed by creatures so beastlike that they can be reached only by being themselves made actually and physically to suffer. Wife-beaters come under this class, and so do the loathsome beings who engage in the white slave traffic. The immediate effect of Mr. Lee's law on this portion of the under-world was quite dramatic. According to the reports both of the police and of the vigilance workers, its passage was the signal for the beginning of a general exodus of the professional white-slavers from England, so that both trains and boats for the continent of Europe were crowded with them for several days. It is generally admitted that the decisive feature in shifting them was the threat of the lash, the one thing they cannot stand. As the London Times phrased it, "By a happy provision of nature it appears that the skin becomes more tender as the moral sense becomes more atrophied."

Mr. Lee may live long and spend all his life in power and accomplish much, and yet never accomplish anything that will rightly give him greater satisfaction or that will represent a greater gain for humanity. He has made all good men and women his debtors, in whatever part of the world they dwell.

When it comes to the "pull altogether" for public improvements in Honolulu or the territory, the example of a chapter of the Order of Eastern Star in Berlin, New Hampshire, might be worth considering. A minute of the United States senate tells of a petition from that society "praying that an appropriation be made for the erection of a public building in that city." Here it has been only the commercial bodies that have interested themselves in such matters, with the addition latterly of improvement clubs in matters of municipal improvements.

That the Promotion committee is getting results—good results—is apparent to any but the blindest of businessmen. Today's paper carries an advertisement by the committee asking all those who have rooms to let to communicate with the committee at once. Honolulu is rapidly filling with tourists. They are a visible, a tangible asset, they pay cash as they go, they add a valuable element to population, even if temporary, they stimulate the entire city. The man who cannot see the general benefits to the territory from the tourist traffic ought not to be at large.

The dedication of the memorial to Gen. S. C. Armstrong at Oahu College tomorrow signifies a fitting mark of respect to one of Hawaii's most distinguished sons. It is an occasion of peculiar interest to old-timers. Hawaii does well to honor a man of such constructive intellect and methods.

The "moral effect" on the House Ways and Means committee, of which Judge Ballou speaks, would have been stronger if some of the leading Hawaiian sugar men had attended the committee's session on sugar-tariff revision, whether or not they were called on to speak.

President-elect Wilson is said to have abandoned the inaugural ball because he doesn't like the "bunny-hug" and the "turkey-trot." However, the tariff twirl and the money-trust mix will continue in evidence.

"The Honor of Our City" in plainer and more colloquial terms means a public opinion that will put the knocker and the pessimist out of business.

"The Honor of Our City Is Ours," is the kind of a slogan that has the "punch."

How did the movies miss Duke's battle with a man-eating eel?

When Turk eats Turk the Allies gallop off with the bacon.

Among the horrors of war are the pictures of Constantinople lately being published.

## LETTERS ON TIMELY TOPICS

[The Star-Bulletin invites free and frank discussion in this column on all legitimate subjects of current interest. Communications are constantly received to which no signature is attached. This paper will treat as confidential signatures to letters if the writers so desire, but cannot give space to anonymous communications.]

### TO THE POINT.

Editor Honolulu Star-Bulletin.  
Sir:—Will you kindly allow me space in your valuable paper in reference to the article in the Honolulu

Star-Bulletin of the 27th inst. I was not awakened by any noise, nor did I hear any noise in the morning in question. My wife on hearing a knocking on the front door awoke me and asked me to see who it was. On opening the door I saw two women clad in night-gowns, who told me how Mr. Ayres and some other man gained entrance through a window, and how they had beat and kicked Mrs. Ayres. Also, that Mrs. Ayres needed medical aid, and asked me to kindly call the police, which I did. And I think any other man would do the same thing, especially in a case of that kind.  
(Signed) H. B. CHILTON.

## PERSONALITIES

E. McINERNEY sailed on the Mongolia for the coast today.  
A. W. Bottomley, secretary of the Bishop Trust Co., returned yesterday morning on the Mauna Kea.  
F. J. TESTA, with the tuberculosis exhibit, arrived back from his circuit of the other islands yesterday.  
Mrs. B. K. BAIRD, of Hilo, who was operated on a couple of weeks ago, has now practically recovered.  
C. Du ROI, manager of B. F. Ehlers & Company, sailed in the Mongolia en route to the east on a buying trip.  
MRS. C. E. WRIGHT departed for the coast today in the Wilhelm.  
She will be away a number of months.  
LOUIS SCHWITZER, who represented Murphy, Grant & Co. here for several years, left for the coast today.  
MR. AND MRS. P. F. FREAR were included in the list of passengers to arrive at the port Tuesday in the Matson Navigation steamer Honolulu.  
"G. S. HALL, a well known Shanghai business man and broker is proceeding to the United States as a passenger in the Pacific Mail liner Mongolia.  
C. R. KING, with the auditors department of the Pacific Mail Company, is completing a round trip to the far east. He is a traveler in the Mongolia.  
A. H. TOMES, son of a well-known Hongkong business and shippingman, is proceeding to the mainland in the Mongolia, where he will enter an eastern college.  
MR. AND MRS. A. A. YOUNG departed for the coast today in the Mongolia. Mr. Young has been quite sick lately but has recovered and will recuperate on the coast.  
PAUL R. ISENBERG departed for the coast today in the Mongolia for the purpose of closing up a big deal in coal lands which he fortunately speculated in last year.  
E. BARTON, of London, Eng., is a through passenger in the Pacific Mail liner Mongolia, who is passing through Honolulu today after having completed a tour of the world.  
MR. AND MRS. T. H. PETRIE were among the passengers who arrived in the Matson Navigation steamer Honolulu Tuesday, after having spent some weeks touring the coast.  
H. de GREY, prominently identified with the China and Japan Trading Company with headquarters at Shanghai, is a through passenger in the Pacific Mail liner Mongolia.  
G. W. CARR, superintendent of railway and mail transportation for this postal district, arrived yesterday from an inspection trip of the other islands on the steamer Mauna Kea.  
H. S. WHEELER, identified with the business interests of Kobe, Japan and representing a large American concern there is making a business trip to the mainland in the Mongolia.  
W. H. WILTERDINK, paymaster in the United States navy and stationed in the Far East for some years, is returning to the mainland on vacation leave. He is a passenger on the Mongolia.  
AUGUST CONRADT, a former resident of Honolulu and now connected with prominent business interests in the far east, was numbered among the passengers in the Pacific Mail liner Mongolia.  
J. W. JORY, chief officer in the Matson Navigation liner Honolulu, has decided to remain over on the coast for a trip. Chief Officer Hutchins of the Hyades is making the round trip in the passenger steamer.  
E. A. RICHARDS, a prominent California banker, is making a visit to the islands, having arrived Tuesday in the Matson Navigation steamer Honolulu. Mr. Richards is accompanied by his wife. They may remain here through the winter.  
MR. AND MRS. FRANK BALDWIN departed for the coast in the Mongolia today. Mr. Baldwin is a member of the All-Hawaiian team and will join Walter Dillingham at Burlingame, and prepare to contest for honors with the mainland tourists.  
CAPTAIN CLAUD, a well known navigator from the east coast of the United States, is numbered among the passengers to arrive at Honolulu today in the Matson Navigation steamer

## LITTLE INTERVIEWS

BYRON O. CLARK—There is nothing, but the meter system to prevent waste of water and to equalize the rates according to the quantity used. Having been a member of the board that installed meters in Pasadena, California, I know what I am talking about. Three years ago I had meters installed at my place in Maunaloa, with the result that my water rates have been cut in half. Every honest man, who is willing to pay for everything he gets, should support the proposition of having all water rates in Honolulu governed by meter.

## COLORED TROOPS WANT TO HELP 'LIBEL FUND'

The Twenty-Fifth Infantry has joined with its white fellow soldiers in the campaign to raise money to bring suit against Perley Horne, principal of the Kamehameha schools. This suit, it was announced yesterday, would be brought as soon as the attorney in the case for the soldiers can prepare the papers, the action of the representatives of the colored troops in promising their financial aid, making the suit assured.

The reply of the negro soldiers to an invitation to attend a meeting of the other commands at Fort Shafter last Sunday night was to the effect that owing to the recent arrival of that regiment in the islands and the amount of work still to do in getting settled, no delegates could attend Sunday's meeting, but that in future a delegation would be sent to any meetings held. Furthermore the letter assured the gathering that the regiment could be counted upon for a handsome contribution to the so-called libel fund. Attorney Andrews, who is handling the case for the soldiers, has started work on the papers.

The soldiers held their meeting in Shafter Sunday night. Every army post on the island was represented and a committee was appointed to take charge of the work. Several heated addresses were made by speakers who declared that the attitude of Honolulu. He may decide to remain in the islands for an indefinite period.  
RICHARD M. FITT, was booked as a passenger in the Matson Navigation steamer Honolulu, but at the last moment before leaving the coast he cancelled his passage to take a later vessel. Mr. Fitt is the newly appointed general manager for the Fanning Island Company, Limited, and is expected to take passage in the British steamer Kestrel for the south seas.  
LEE MCCLUNG, who recently resigned as United States treasurer, is one of the passengers booked for the S. S. Cleveland on her return trip from San Francisco in February. Mr. McClung is well known to the Yale men of Hawaii as captain of the famous football eleven of 1892, when Frank Hinkley and Heffelfinger played in the line and Lurrie Bliss and Vance McCormick in the back field. McClung was famous as a dodger and line blocker.  
MRS. M. ALICE MILLER, the Most Worthy Grand Matron of the Order of the Eastern Star, arrived last Thursday in Hilo with a party of seven, two from Honolulu, and the rest from the mainland. The party was met on the wharf by a committee of members of the local lodge, and was escorted to the Hilo Hotel, where a committee of Hilo ladies called. In the afternoon tea was given to Mrs. Miller at the Masonic Hall, at which several speeches were made. On Friday evening Mrs. Miller gave a school of instruction, and Saturday evening the party attended the Burns' concert. Sunday and Monday were spent in automobiling.

## LEST YE FORGET

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## AND REMEMBER—

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the general public toward the uniform had altered considerably since the statement made by Mr. Horne at a public meeting that "soldiers and adventurers from the mainland consider young Hawaiian girls their legitimate prey."

The distinction against the uniform drawn by officials at the wharf when the Hamburg-American liner Cleveland was in port was pointed to as a case in point and the assertion was made that similar unreported cases had happened in town since the Horne incident.

Following the meeting Sergeant

Discher of the Second was granted a pass on which to visit other posts and start the campaign for the fund. The pass is signed by the regimental adjutant, and it is openly asserted that the officers are backing the men in their effort to secure vindication of the charge made against them by Mr. Horne. It is also asserted that the commissioned officers are working on a plan to bring the matter to the attention of the Federal government.

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FOR MR. W. L. HOWARD, PALOLO HILL, MAUMAE AVE.  
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OVER \$3000 WORTH OF CONSTRUCTION WORK.  
This is what one man is doing, but there are several other contractors in the field, equally busy.

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